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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU GRANTS CONSENT FOR ACQUISITION OF ASSETS OF 3 RIVERS FIBER OPTIC, INC. BY ONEEIGHTY COMMUNICATIONS OF MONTANA, INC.

WC Docket No. 03-134

Pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and sections 0.91, 0.291, and 63 03 of the Communication's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 63 03, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) approves the application for acquisition of assets (approximately 500 access lines) of 3 Rivers Fiber Optic, Inc. by OneEighty Communications of Montana, Inc.¹ No comments or petitions to deny were received in response to the public notice announcing that the application had been accepted for filing.

The Bureau finds, upon consideration of the record, that the proposed transfer will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity, and therefore grants the requested authorization.² Pursuant to section 1.103 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.103, the consent granted herein is effective upon the release of the Public Notice Petitions for reconsideration under section 1.106 or applications for review under section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of this Public Notice

For further information, please contact Tracey Wilson, at (202) 418-1394 or Dennis Johnson, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-0809.

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See Domestic Section 214 Application Filed For Acquisition of Assets of 3 Rivers Fiber Optic by OneEighty Communications of Montana, Inc., WC Docket No. 03-134, Public Notice, DA 03-2372 (rel. June 18, 2003)

See Notice of Streamlined Domestic 214 Application Granted, WC Docket No 03-106, Public Notice, 18 FCC Rcd 11317 (WCB 2003) (granting consent for acquisition of Qwest's out-of-region competitive LEC assets, and minor in-region assets, by competitive LEC that provided some in-region services), Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for Acquisition of Assets of Qwest Communications Corporation, and Qwest Interprise America, Inc., by Covad Communications Co., WC Docket No 03-106, Public Notice, 18 FCC Rcd 8341 (WCB 2003)